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GLENDALE CIVIC CENTER HOSTS WEDDING EVENT DURING PEAK ENGAGEMENT SEASON

GLENDALE, Ariz. — With the holidays and New Year's being the most popular time for marriage proposals, many couples will be planning weddings in the next few months. The Glendale Civic Center, an award winning venue known for hosting beautiful weddings, is encouraging soon-to-be brides and grooms to attend a Wedding Tour and Culinary Tasting Open House on Wednesday, Feb. 19.

The free venue tour begins at 6:30 p.m. at the Glendale Civic Center, located at 5750 W. Glenn Drive in historic downtown Glendale. Guests will have the opportunity to take a look at the entire 40,000 square-foot facility, including ballrooms, gardens and patios. Following the tour, guests will be able to view a short slide show of photos of previous weddings held at the venue and visit with multiple wedding vendors including AZ Music Man, Fleur d' Lis Bakery, Crazy Shotz, Images by Angela, Celebrity Tux & Tails, Arizona Cut Flower Company and Tyler's Custom Design will be on site with information, samples and demonstrations.

Arizona Catering, the Civic Center's official caterer is offering a culinary tasting at 7 p.m. The tasting costs \$5.00 per couple and will include a sampling of assorted buffet items, hors d'oeuvres, salad and entrees. A reservation for the tasting is required by calling Arizona Catering at (480) 898-8848. A raffle prize drawing will be held for those attending the tasting, featuring prizes from some of the vendors attending.

"This year we expect to see more specific wedding themes and new trends related to cake and décor accessories," said Teresa Hawthorne, Glendale Civic Center event coordinator. "Bridal fashion has also incorporated more metallic colors into the traditional white and ivories. The pop of color is being reflective in other wedding items, including floral arrangements, cakes and linen choices."

The Glendale Civic Center has hosted hundreds of wedding since 1999 and has been a previous winner of Wedding Wire's Bride's Choice Awards. In 2012 and 2013, the Glendale Civic Center was voted as the No. 1 venue for conference centers of its size by Ranking Arizona: The Best of Arizona Business.

For more information, call (623) 930-4300 or visit www.glendaleciviccenter.com.

